

St. Vincent de Paul Board of Education

Meeting Minutes

October 1, 2020

Attendees: Fr. Joe, Fr. Rich, Mrs. Streiler, Mrs. Unterreiner, Emily Hager, Todd McDonald, Nikki Strattman, Terry Wibbenmeyer, Brad Hennemann, Melissa Barber, Joey Koishor, Becca Pecaut, Cheri Sauer, Ann Baer

Opening Prayer: Led by Fr. Joe

Minutes: September minutes approved by Ann Baer

Head of School's Report – Mrs. Jennifer Streiler

- *Service:* Campus ministry has resumed, HS students are traveling to elementary. Sodality and DePaul Society are seeking areas of service; forward any ideas to them.
- *Spiritual:* Weekly mass is now being live-streamed in every classroom. Ring day mass was held and every senior was able to attend. Oct 2 – donuts at sunrise at the flagpole with the youth group.
- *Academic:* Senior ACT in gym Oct. 6th. College and Career Planning for Juniors was held Sept. 20th. College Reps from many schools have been present at SV for visits. Book fair is on-line this year and going on now. Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on 10/29 in the HS gym 4:00-7:00.
- *Professional Development:* We are short on substitute teachers.
- *Enrollment:* 256 enrolled in Jr/Sr high (151 in HS, 105 in JH), ADA is 220.82
- *Extra-Curricular:* Fall sports
- *Safety:* Liz House from the Health Department is coming to speak at the faculty meeting for COVID prevention suggestions and to outline what we need to do and continue to do.
- *Other:* Mrs. Streiler charted students/teachers who were absent, present, quarantined, and COVID positive daily from 9/4-9/30. There has been good attendance the past 3 weeks, Mrs. Streiler said things are back to WONDERFUL and feels Homecoming will look as it always has.

Elementary Principal's Report – Mrs. Diane Unterriener

- *Service:* Food drive going on in celebration of St. Vincent De Paul feast day. 19 6th graders completed server training with Fr. Rich. Campus ministry has started back up (although not helping at Preschool).
- *Spiritual:* Third graders received First Holy Communion on Sept 13 and 20th during 9:00 mass (if they had not already done so). Two grade levels are having weekly mass, each class sits on a different wing of church.
- *Academic:* Parent-Teacher conferences will be held Oct 29th 3:30-6:30. Book fair is on-line this year and going on now.
- *Enrollment:* Elementary – 221, Pre-K – 15, Total – 236. A family with 3 students is moving to Georgia, enrolling a family with 2 students, possibly enrolling another family as well (transfers from PES). ADA is 229

- *Professional Development:*
- *Safety:*
- *Extra-Curricular:* Girls volleyball is underway. The month of October is SV's month for the Penny-Per-Gallon program at Barnes Mart. Grandparent's Day is postponed for spring.
- *Other:* Mrs. Unterreiner charted students/teachers who were absent, present, quarantined, and COVID positive daily from 9/4-9/30. Numbers look great at elementary as well. There are currently NO teachers or students with COVID or on quarantine.

PSR Report – Mrs. Emily Hager

- *Service:* 8th grade will help after mass to hand out prayer petitions for those receiving the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Parish food drive is currently going on and PSR is participating.
- *Spiritual:* Travelling Mary program underway. The 3rd grade will attend reconciliation next week.
- *Academic:* Safe Touch classes are being held by Bonnie Comte. Sept. 23rd started all students back to in-classroom learning and it is going well. Home-schooled students are completing assessments.
- *Enrollment:* 198 in-classroom learning, 50 home-school learning, 1 Zoom
- *Professional Development:*
- *Safety:* All temperatures are taken, maintaining 6' distance, and wearing masks.

Action Items:

- Review/discuss COVID policy issues (if any)
 - No issues were noted regarding the policy, seems to be working well.
 - Todd McDonald noted a budget issue: At the high school, all lunches are being placed in a to-go styrofoam container so the student can choose to eat where he/she wishes. This is an added cost. At the elementary, the café staff have extended hours so that students can social distance at lunch. This is also an added cost. The school board discussed ways to handle the cost. It was voted to TEMPORARILY add 25 cents to the cost of each lunch meal to help and keep within budget.
- Vote on Vice President
 - Terry Wibbenmeyer asked the board members to reflect if any member would be willing to serve as Vice President. We will decide/vote at the October meeting

Board Matters:

- No new or old business

Pastor's Report:

- Fr. Joe feels the current tuition policy needs analyzed and possibly revised in the next 1-2 years. Some questions/thoughts he provided:
 - Elementary tuition is cheaper than high school but in reality, it is not any less expensive to educate an elementary student.

- Does the tuition cost of the 4th + child at such a decreased cost (~10%) make sense?
- Do we need to grow on or revise the new tuition ‘cuts’ for volunteerism and mass attendance/offering?
- Need to create a tuition structure for preservation that is fair and makes sense.
- Creating a sub-committee is suggested.
- Todd will gather data for the next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Terry Wibbenmeyer

Closing Prayer: led by Fr. Joe

Next School Board Meeting: November 5, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,
Nikki Strattman, Secretary